Amendment No. 1 to HB0482

Hulsey Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 467*

House Bill No. 482

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-411, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting:

- (a) A person commits the offense of critical infrastructure vandalism who knowingly:
 - (1) Interrupts or interferes with critical infrastructure or its operation;
 - (2) Destroys or injures critical infrastructure; or
 - (3) Destroys or injures a farm.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-411, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting:

(d)

- (1) A violation of subdivision (a)(1) or (a)(2) shall be punished as theft under § 39-14-103, and graded in accordance with § 39-14-105. However, if:
 - (A) The actual damages caused by the violation are in an amount less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), then the punishment for a violation of subdivision (a)(1) or (a)(2) must be no less than a Class E felony; and
 - (B) The actual damages caused by the violation are in an amount of at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000), then the punishment for a violation of subdivision (a)(1) or (a)(2) must be no less than a Class C felony.

(2) A violation of subdivision (a)(3) shall be punished as theft under § 39-14-103, and graded in accordance with § 39-14-105. However, in no event shall punishment for a violation of subdivision (a)(3) be less than a Class E felony.
SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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